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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 3714
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Response

In re application of

Docket No: Q64489

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Appln. No.: 09/855,020

Group Art Unit: 3714

Confirmation No.: 8003

Examiner: Aaron J. CAPRON

Filed: May 15, 2001

For: GAME MACHINE AND NETWORK SYSTEM FOR SETTING UP GAME
ENVIRONMENT THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2002, please consider the remarks
as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-9, 11 and 12 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1 and 7 are
independent claims.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the personal Interview on March 18, 2003 in which
the rejection of was discussed the rejection of the claims over Sparks, II (US 6,352,479) in view
of Schneier et al. (U.S. 6,099,408).